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MEETING MINUTES

November 15, 2007

A meeting of the Statewide Interoperability Executive Council (SIEC) was held on this date at the Twin Falls County Courthouse, Twin Falls, Idaho. Chair Lockwood called the meeting to order. Attendees and guests introduced themselves.

Members Present: (Alphabetically)

- Chair, R. Mark Lockwood, Idaho Chiefs of Police Association
- Michael Candelaria, United States Dept. of Interior
- Dia Gainor – via teleconference
- Jerry Goetz, Federal Law Enforcement
- Dean Hagerman, Idaho National Guard
- Mary Halverson, Bureau of Homeland Security
- Greg Laragan, Idaho Transportation Department
- Jerry Russell, Idaho State Police
- Lex Rutter, proxy Dept of Administration
- Joe Young, Idaho Association of Counties
- Mark Wendelsdorf, Idaho Fire Chiefs Association
- Aaron Clark, Clark Communications
- Gary Davis, BHS
- Lorraine Elfering, Canyon County Sheriff's Office
- Ed Flagel, Whitecloud Communications
- Eddie Goldsmith, IECC 911 Project Manager
- Todd Herrera, Canyon County Sheriffs Office
- Jennifer Hill, Office of Performance Evaluations
- Matt Howarth, Motorola
- John Moore, SIRCOMM
- Greg Newberry, Whitecloud Communications
- Jeff Shinn, Office of Performance Evaluations
- Ron Vogt, SIRCOMM

Staff

Dodie Collier, Project Manager

Others Present:

- Bruce Bowler, Madison County

Review & Approve Minutes—Chair Lockwood

Lockwood noted that a quorum was present and asked for a review of the October minutes.

Motion: Hagerman moved that the minutes be accepted. Gainor seconded the motion. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

Blaine County Interoperable Communications, Project Report, Chuck Turner, Blaine County Emergency Manager

Turner provided information on Blaine County's radio coverage study. The county will partner with SIRCOMM to extend coverage. Turner confirmed that Elk Ridge would cover the Fairfield area; the Bell site will go off line when the Picabo site comes on.

Canyon County Interoperable Communications, Project Report, SGT Todd Herrera, Canyon County Emergency Manager

Herrera presented an update on the Canyon County interoperable communications system build-out. Redundancy will be primarily achieved via the State's microwave, and secondarily through fiber connections.

Technical Subcommittee, Assessment Update, Dodie Collier for Lorin Nielsen, Chair

Collier updated the Council on the Statewide Operational Need and Technical Resource Assessment project. CTA will be in North and North Central Idaho the week of November 26th, then in Southeast Idaho the week of December 7th. The Bureau of Homeland Security Area Field Officers are coordinating the county assessment interviews with CTA. Council recommended that policies and procedures be part of the assessment outcomes.

Public Safety Interoperable Communications (PSIC) Grant Program, Distribution Selection Process and Recommendation, Mark Lockwood, Chair

Lockwood had intended to report on the recommended county / tribal projects that would accompany the State's PSIC application, but those recommendations were still in administrative review as of this date.

E911 Commission Briefing, Eddie Goldsmith, Program Manager

Goldsmith gave an update on the November E911 Commission meeting. Young asked Goldsmith about some 911 decisions still pending for Northern Idaho; Goldsmith said he would get back to Young with answers. Goldsmith will represent Idaho's interest in Washington DC for talks on potential dissemination of federal 911 funding. Discussion ensued on multi-line telcos issues that the E911 Commission will be addressing with the Idaho Legislature in the 2008 session.

Open Comment Period

Jackie Frey, Idaho Emergency Managers Association Chair, asked when the Council would be making a decision on IEM serving on the SIECs subcommittees; discussion on by-law changes to address this issue are in process and a decision will be available at the January meeting.

The next SIEC Regular Meeting will be held on December 20, 2007 in Boise. Reference www.siec.id.gov.